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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

The following Amendment is submitted in response to the Office Action dated May 3, 2004 and as a follow up to the personal interview conducted with the Examiner on August 12, 2004. Accordingly, please amend the patent application as follows:

**Amendment to the Specification** begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendment to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 11 of this paper.

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